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#### Neighborhoods Strut Their Stuff

Having pride in your community takes on a whole new meaning in this year's Neighborhood Thousands of volunteers work in concert to host over 100 events such as neighborhood festivals,



Month Kick-Off event being held Saturday, April 24, 2004, from 10 am - 4 pm. The event, the Hampton Neighborhood Festival, provides a unique opportunity for neighborhoods to join together to share their successes whereby creating an environment to learn from each other and build relationships. Aside from neighborhoods, the Festival will feature a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, live entertainment, open karaoke, clown shows, demonstrations, city information booths, door prizes, dance teams, cheerleaders and local food vendors

The Festival marks the beginning of this exciting month-long event where the entire City comes together to celebrate the richness and diversity of our neighborhoods.

beautification projects, cookouts, and parades. "These Neighborhood Month events get bigger and better every year, it is a great opportunity for neighbors to celebrate what they love about their neighborhood," says Joan Kennedy, Director of the City of Hampton Neighborhood Office. Sponsors for Hampton's 8th Annual Neighborhood Month include the Hampton Neighborhood Commission, Sentara Healthcare, Langley Federal Credit Union and Wal-Mart. If you would like more information about how to register for a booth at the Festival or how to host an event in your neighborhood for Neighborhood Month. please contact the Neighborhood Office at (757) 727-6460 or go to www.hampton.gov/neighborhoods.

#### DID YOU KNOW...

The City has begun a new radio talk show on WLRT 1490 AM, The Outlaw, every Monday at 11:30 a.m. Every week a new topic will be discussed. On Monday, April 19 tune in to hear about Hampton's Neighbrohod Month and how you can get involved. You can also listen online at http://racetalklive.com/home.dp.

#### A New Hampton Emerging -And You Can Play A Role

The Virginia Tourism Corp. estimates that travelers contributed almost \$14 billion to the State's economy in 2002.

Now in Hampton, with our upcoming Hampton Roads Convention Center, an adjacent Embassy Suites headquarters hotel, and a host of new restaurants and retail establishments, Hampton stands to gain a much larger slice of the tourism pie. To learn more about the new Hampton emerging visit www.hampton.gov and click on "What's Hot."

The Hampton Roads Convention Center is scheduled to open in Spring 2005. You can play a role in its success by inviting your affiliates to meet in Hampton. Any citizen or organization bringing a meeting of 100 or more people to Hampton will be recognized as a Hampton Hometown Hero. For more information on how to participate, call the Hampton Convention and Visitors Bureau at 728-5327.

#### **Diversity College Class of 2004**



The first Diversity College class, sponsored by the Hampton Unity Commission, graduated on March 23. Diversity College focuses on celebrating diversity by learning about and from each other. For information on this program call 728-3279 or e-mail unity@hampton.gov.



Hampton Holds its Annual Scout Day -Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts participate in a mock City Council meeting.

#### THE HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY and the CITY OF HAMPTON'S 2010 COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE

invite you to attend the annual

### HAMPTON LANDING DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, April 25, 2004 • 3:00 p.m.

Hampton VA Medical Center 100 Emancipation Drive, Hampton, VA

This annual event, properly recognized as "Landing Day", is an observance of the first landing at Hampton in 1607. It is held at the location the three ships Susan Constant, Codspeed, and Discovery stopped April 30, 1607 before sailing up the James River to settle on Jamestown Island.

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## April | COMMUNITY

#### 17 International Children's Festival

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Millpoint Park, Downtown Hampton Enjoy the rich array of sights, sounds, and tastes of distant lands that will captivate the senses of children and adults alike.

#### 24 Neighborhood Month Kickoff Festival

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., City Hall, 22 Lincoln Street

25 Landing Day 3:00 p.m., Hampton Virginia Medical Center, 100 Emancipation Drive Observance of the first landing in Hampton in 1607.

## 28 Hampton City Council Meeting

7:30 p.m., Council Chambers (8th Floor, City Hall). Also telecast on the City channel, TV-47. News and information in CIP Page shows your tax dollars at work. It combines information from city departments into one place, save money and is timelier than previous nevoletters. City Page is brought to you by the Public Communications Division of the City of Hampton PHONE (757) 727–6893

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